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## TIME TO UNLOAD HIM.

The Republican has on several occasions stated the fact that L. A. Thurston, owner of the Advertiser, through his representatives, openly threatened the Fourth district convention that if it nominated certain men as candidates of the party he would bolt the ticket and advocate the nomination and election of a citizens' ticket through his paper. Mr. Thurston very naturally avoids trying to answer these pertinent statements as to his guerrilla tactics in politics. It is the same old story with him: either he rules or he destroys. Seeing that his efforts to rule were not successful, he now seeks to make others responsible for the destruction that he himself brought about.

Even after securing the nomination of his own men he still hoped to destroy the republican party as an organization and effect a fusion of forces against the independents. On October 13, right in the midst of the campaign, he said in his paper: "The Advertiser shares the belief of its contemporary, the Star, that a bad mistake was made when so many good citizens divided locally on party lines." \* \* \* Good citizens, especially after it became clear that the majority of the native voters would flock by themselves, ought to have come together in local politics as a non-partisan organization intent solely on the welfare of Hawaii.

And this was followed by a paragraph striking at the men who made the organization of a republican party in Hawaii possible.

It is a well known fact that Mr. Thurston was on the point of openly declaring for a fusion ticket at that time, and the taking down of the names of certain republican candidates, and only the work of Messrs. J. P. Cooke, J. A. Gilman and J. B. Atherton prevented him from taking such a step. After that he declared "it is too late for fusion now," this in an effort to square himself after his infamous plan had been exposed. And this is the man who in his newspaper now talks about reputable republicans having knifed the republican ticket.

The greatest and most serious mistake that the republicans of Hawaii ever made was to allow L. A. Thurston, except the "devil's partner," to hang onto the controls of the republican party. The party is no more to him than is the democratic party or the independent party. He is a Pariah in politics, as he has always been. His name in connection with government or office has been to bring upon it discredit and dishonor. The only tactics he knows are those of the guerrilla. Square, mainly fighting is something as foreign to him as to the bushwhacker between the lines of contending armies. He has never been connected with any movement or any party in Hawaii that his presence did not damn it. The Dole administration owes more of the feeling among the people against it to this man, L. A. Thurston, than to all other causes combined. Devoid of political honor and filled with political turpitude, he brings odium upon the party which he pretends to affiliate and which he stands ready and willing to betray whenever he believes more can be made by betraying it than can be by remaining true to it.

The republican party of Hawaii, if it hopes to win the confidence of the people, if it hopes to ever win success, must spew out this human leech. He is a load that it cannot carry and be successful. His very presence, even by proxy, in republican councils is a stretch in the nostrils of all men who place honor above self and who repudiate the theory that it is rightful and honorable to enter into a partnership with the devil, if necessary, to carry out one's infamous machinations.

The report from Massachusetts that a number of French Canadian laborers have been engaged to come to Hawaii for work on the sugar plantations will meet general approval. While it is much more to be desired that Americans be secured, the French Canadians are so much superior to any other laborers that have been suggested recently that everyone will hope that the report that a number of them are coming here is true. The writer has seen much of the life of the French Canadians as laborers in the pine woods of Michigan and Wisconsin in the early eighties and more recently in the New England states. They are industrious, thrifty and reliable. Of course they like a rollick with a bottle of wine occasionally, but they are a peaceful, orderly set of citizens as a whole, loyal to the church and state and faithful servants of employers. They make good citizens and readily acquire a knowledge of American government and American political methods. We desire to warn the planters, however, that they will not submit very long to any form of contract labor. They are ambitious and energetic and long to own a little nest of their own. As share farmers they will work from early dawn to dark, and no laborers will get greater results from the soil than these same French Canadians when they are to share in the profits. But they are not content to be mere slaves of the soil, and something more substantial must be offered them for the future, if it is desired to keep this very desirable class of laborers on the plantations, than so much per month and living in barracks.

## IMPORTANCE OF SMALL FARMS.

The Republican has on numerous occasions pointed out the necessity of diversified farming for the future growth of Hawaii, and shown the profits to be derived from other crops than sugar. Southern California has been given as an illustration of the advantages of diversified farming and small holdings by individual owners. The Los Angeles Times of a recent date tells a most interesting story of the results of small holdings and diversified industries as shown by the census returns of the State of California. It takes the seven counties of Southern California and compares them with seven of the counties of the great wheat growing section of Northern California. The seven southern counties with their population for 1890 and 1900 is given as follows:

County.	1900.	1890.
Los Angeles	170,298	101,454
Orange	19,006	13,389
Riverside	17,807	17,807
San Bernardino	27,929	25,495
San Diego	25,000	34,987
Santa Barbara	18,464	15,754
Ventura	14,267	10,071

304,211 201,250  
In 1890 the population of what is now Riverside county was included in San Bernardino and San Diego counties. The aggregate increase of these seven counties amounts to 102,861, or 51 per cent. This is about 40 per cent of the total increase shown by the 37 counties of the state, while Los Angeles county alone, with its increase of 68,844 shows just about 25 per cent of the increase of the 37 counties.

Now, let us turn to the record of seven northern counties, where big grain fields predominate over orchards. Here are the figures for seven of these counties, in 1900 and 1890, respectively:

County.	1900.	1890.
Butte	17,117	17,839
Colusa	7,346	14,640
Merced	9,125	8,085
Stanislaus	9,550	10,040
Sutter	5,886	5,469
Yolo	13,018	12,684
Yuba	8,620	9,626

71,202 78,333  
These figures show a net aggregate decrease for the seven counties of 7,131 between 1890 and 1900, or over 9 per cent.

Very aptly the Times says, the question at once arises: "What can possibly be the cause of such an astonishing difference in the progress of these two groups of counties during the past decade—on the one hand an increase of over 50 per cent and on the other a decrease of nearly 10 per cent? It needs but a superficial glance at the conditions prevailing in the two sections to answer this question. In these seven northern counties big grain fields predominate over the orchards, the work on them being done by gangs of men, mostly unmarried, who work during the brief plowing and harvesting seasons, and then pack their blankets and leave for other parts. To a great extent the ranchers buy their dairy products, fruit, vegetables and other supplies, of Chinese truck farmers.

On the other hand, in the southern counties small tracts are the rule, averaging in size from ten acres to twenty acres, on which are raised, by means of irrigation, horticultural crops which yield a handsome return to the owner who as a rule also produces his own fodder, and milk, and butter, and eggs, and vegetables, and even his own firewood. Consequently, his necessary cash outlay for living expenses is comparatively small, and a large proportion of the net returns for his crop can be spent on improvements of life, or for the comforts and luxuries of life, or be laid by in the bank. The difference is, in brief, grain growing versus fruit growing, large tracts versus small holdings.

It should be added that this is not a new condition of affairs. The census of 1890 credited more than 60 per cent of the increase to the seven southern counties, while several of the grain growing counties in Northern California showed a decrease for the decade. These striking statistics of the conditions in California should not be lost upon the land owners of Hawaii. It is in the home that the strength of the state is founded, and it is to the home builder that this territory must look to its development in the future. Hawaii wants American citizens to come here and make homes and to help build up a great state, and this can best be accomplished by the fruit grower and small farmer.

## Honolulu's Odd Club.

[From the N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.]  
The Hawaiian Women's Club deserves a word of praise. It is unique in more ways than one. It is a flourishing association, is not in debt, and its meetings are characterized by peaceful intercourse between members. It is five years old and was born in Honolulu. Its founder was an American school teacher who formed the habit of inviting young girls to her home once a week for informal conversation on some topic of current interest. These informal meetings crystallized into a club of thirty-four members, most of them Hawaiians. Several members were from the United States, China and Portugal. This year the president is a Chinese girl who wears her national costume when she presides at the club's meetings.

## Science Aids the Sugar Planter.

[From the Sugar Planter's Journal.]  
The news has just been given out by Dr. Wm. C. Stubbs, director of the experiment station at Audubon, of his having successfully cultivated species of cane which yield nearly a third more of sugar per ton, besides giving a greater tonnage to the acre, than does the ordinary variety of cane now commonly grown in Louisiana.

Nothing more gratifying to the sugar planters of Louisiana could have been told than this, for while making rapid strides in the various mechanical devices for the manufacture of sugar, they felt that the beet sugar industry had surpassed them in regard to securing a judicious seed selection.

By a series of experiments covering a period of six years past, Dr. Stubbs and his efficient corps has endeavored to select from a number of Trinidad canes, planted as experiment, those which were found to be best adapted, in growth and saccharine development, to the climate of Louisiana. After many painstaking comparisons and analyses, it was found that

two of the specimens, "T. 74" and "T. 95," were far superior to any ever grown here, they having averaged a sucrose content of 16 per cent. This yield is fully one-third as great again as that of the canes now grown in our state, and is to be looked at in the light of a God-send to the sugar industry.

These new canes, besides having the above mentioned characteristics, are long jointed and very hardy. Their roots grow very deep and strong; in fact they are reported as being the only canes at the station that were not blown over by the heavy wind of September 9th. Besides, the stubble from them attains excellent stand and grows with great vigor.

As shipments of these valuable canes are now being made to the planters throughout the parishes, no one should fail to avail themselves of the opportunity of procuring a bundle, which will be sent out on application to Dr. W. C. Stubbs, Audubon Park, New Orleans.

## A Rice Rolling Machine.

[From the Chicago News.]  
Patents have been taken out for a rice-hulling machine, invented by a citizen of Cincinnati. The working part of the machine is a carburetted wheel or cylinder. There are corrugations on the surface, and these are deep and sharp, to cut the hull without injuring the kernel. The rice will be fed upon the roll from the hopper above, and a stiff brush will hold the grain to the wheel while the hull is being taken off. A fan will then separate the husks from the grain.

## Yes, it is True He Did.

[From the Evening Bulletin.]  
Apropos of the laborer Advertiser discussion on knifing the party is it not true that Mr. Thurston threatened to bolt the republican ticket and advocate in his paper a citizens' ticket of his own make up? Is it not true that he was dissuaded from this course by the talking-to given him by Cooke, Gilman and Atherton?

## They Made Money.

Cecil Brown and W. G. Cooper of the First National bank have made good a lot of money within the last ten days, by signing their names 5,320 times each the same number of bank notes of the corporation lately received from Washington and aggregating \$50,000 were made legal tender.

## Flood at Ewa.

The rain was the cause of a big flood at Ewa plantation, which, although it did no damage, stopped work on account of the mud. The field work could not be done.

## News of the Courts.

The bond of David Dayton for \$500 as administrator of the estate of Henri Courtois was filed yesterday.

The appeal bond of the Wilder Steamship company of \$110,000 in the suit of Hind, et al, previously reported, was placed on file yesterday.

J. A. Rodanet, executor of the will of A. A. Todd, has filed his final account showing a balance on hand of \$411.50. He asks for discharge and a cancellation of his bond.

A. de S. Canavaro has filed a petition in the probate court for letters of administration for the estate of Jose Antonio de Silva, deceased. The petition will be heard December 21.

## KII GETS FIVE YEARS.

Native Convicted of Burning a Cane Field at Wainane.

Kii, a native Hawaiian, was yesterday sentenced to five years at hard labor for malicious burning. The trial took place yesterday before a jury in the circuit court and was quite brief.

Last March Kii set fire to a field of sugar cane, the property of the Wainane company, and was arrested and bound over to the grand jury. That body found a true indictment against him of two counts. Besides setting fire to a cane field himself, Kii also commanded and compelled Nalopi to do a like act and was held to answer as an accessory before the crime.

The witnesses in the trial were Nalopi, Punu Chee, Ah Lok, Fred Meyers and Judge Kekahuna. The evidence was all in early in the afternoon and the jury was out but a short time, when the verdict was returned, after which Judge Humphreys pronounced the sentence.

## MATTERS CONSIDERED

## IN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

The executive council met yesterday, transacting but little business. The correspondence upon the subject of contesting the election of Robert Wilcox as delegate was read by Attorney General Dole, together with his brief. The matter was not discussed by the other members of the council.

An application for a dealer's liquor license by Robert Waialeale was refused. The leakage of the sewer system was discussed by J. A. McCandless. The contract allows a leakage of not more than 40 gallons per minute. The present leakage is 120 gallons per minute. The system could be legally refused on a much smaller leakage. The system will be much more expensive to the territory by reason of the extra pumping necessary to overcome this heavy leakage. It was decided to notify the contractors and allow them to do their best to remedy the defects. The subject will be up for consideration again.

## Egan and Hustace Answer.

John J. Egan and Frank Hustace have filed their answer to the amended complaint of H. R. Hitchcock, et al, wherein they are charged with the misappropriation of \$120,000 in stock. They deny the main allegation that the stock was secretly, fraudulently or unlawfully made. They set up the claim that they are informed and believe that the plaintiffs had notice before they became stockholders that the paid-up stock had been duly allotted to Egan, Hustace and Foster.

## An Animated Protest.

[From the Omaha Bee.]  
Prince David of Hawaii hopes to break into congress as a territorial delegate. P. D. is an animated protest against the imperial plank in the Democratic platform.

## Not Like Hobson.

[From the Norfolk Landmark.]  
A woman tried to kiss Mr. Bryan in Baltimore the other day. She met with the same icy discouragement that was the lot of the Cuban schoolma'ams who tried to kiss Mr. McKinley. You cannot kiss a presidential candidate in public, girls.

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